ALABAMA BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MINUTES

—OF THE—

SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

—OF THE—

# Pea River Baptist Association,

—HELD WITH—

WOODLAND GROVE CHURCH, COFFEE COUNTY, ALA.,

—ON THE—

4TH, 5TH AND 6TH DAYS OF NOVEMBER, 1882.

*OFFICERS:*

JESSE M. ROWE,.....Moderator.
A. J. WISE, JR.,.....Clerk.
C. R. TALBOT,.....Treasurer.

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## ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Hear letters from the churches read.
2. Elect Moderator, Clerk and Treasurer.
3. Invite ministering brethren to seats.
4. Call for Petitions from churches desiring to unite.
5. Appoint Committees, to report during session, viz.:

   To arrange preaching;
   On Missions;
   On Finance;
   On Documents;
   On Nominations.

6. Call for Correspondence.
7. Return Correspondence.
8. Have Rules and Decorum read.
9. Call roll and mark absentees.
10. Hear reports from committees.
11. Hear Treasurer's report.
12. Hear miscellaneous resolutions.
13. Make arrangements for printing Minutes.
14. Correct Minutes, and adjourn.

*ORDAINED MINISTERS.*

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| M. Brooks, | Victoria, Ala. |
| J. W. Bullard, | Daleville, Ala. |
| Jesse M. Rowe, | Elba, Ala. |
| T. D. Caler, | Elba, Ala. |

*VISITING MINISTERS.*

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| D. C. Allen, | Brundidge, Ala. |
| E. M. Brooks, | Brundidge, Ala. |
| M. M. Wamboldt, | Troy, Ala. |
| Wm. Pritchett, | Aberfoil, Ala. |
| W. C. T. Mosely, | Greenville, Ala. |

# MINUTES

The Pea River Baptist Association, met according to a previous adjournment, with Woodland Grove Church, Coffee County, Alabama, on November 4th 1882. The Introductory Sermon was preached by Elder J. W. Bullard. After one hour and a half for refreshments, the body was called to order by the former moderator, Elder M. Brooks, and prayer by Elder Wm. Pritchett.

By request the letters from the several churches were read by brothers D. C. Allen and W. M. Cooper, and delegates names enrolled as follows:

*Woodland Grove*—J. M. Rowe, C. R. Talbot and W. M. Cooper.

*New Providence*—W. J. Spurlin, J. A. Moore and P. T. Wise.

*Bethlehem*—(Dale)—Jasper Ellis, J. M. Bullard and J. W. Bullard.

*Bethlehem*—(Coffee)—A. J. Brooks, D. W. Jernigan and J. J. Bradley.

*New Ebenezer*—William Taylor, N. B. Fleming and J. A. Taylor.

*Shiloh*—M. Brooks, J. W. Brooks and A. J. Wise, Jr.

Then proceeded to an election of officers, when Jesse M. Rowe was elected Moderator and A. J. Wise, Jr., was re-elected Clerk, and C. R. Talbot, Treasurer.

Invited visiting ministers and brethren to seats in the body, when Elder W. C. T. Mosely responded from the Alabama Association, and Wm. Pritchett from the Centenial Association and Rev. M. M. Wamboldt and brother J. D. Parkman from Salem Association.

Then called for petitionary letters, when letters from Mount Lebanon Church were presented by her delegates, J. F. Wise, J. A. McGee and Amos Thames.

From White Water Church, by her delegates, D. J. Williams, George Calhoun and Henry Morris.

The letters with their respective delegates were re-

ceived and the right hand of fellowship was extended by the Moderator in behalf of the Association.

Called for correspondence, when Elder D. C. Allen and E. M. Brooks responded from Salem Association, and E. Edwards and W. W. Fleming from Newton Association. Then suspended business for one hour for brother M. M. Wamboldt to preach. After which returned correspondence.

*To Newton Association*—J. W. Bullard, A. J. Brooks, C. R. Talbot, J. W. Brooks, John McGee, M. Brooks and A. J. Wise.

*To Sandy Creek Association*—

*To Salem Association*—M. Brooks, N. B. Fleming, J. A. Taylor, J. M. Rowe, D. J. Williams and A. J. Wise.

*To Zion Association*—D. S. Williams, M. Brooks, N. B. Fleming, J. W. Bullard and J. M. Rowe.

*COMMITTEES APPOINTED TO RERORT DURING THE SESSION.*

*On Divine Service*—J. W. Brooks, D. W. Jernigan and W. M. Cooper.

*On Missions*—M. Brooks, A. J. Wise and Jas. Taylor.

*On Documents*—J. W. Bullard, Wm. Taylor and A. J. Brooks.

*On Periodicals*—A. J. Brooks, N. B. Fleming and D. J. Williams.

*On Finance*—J. W. Brooks, J. McGee and W. J. Spurlin.

*On Nominations*—D. W. Jernigan, P. T. Wise and D. J. Williams.

Committee on divine service reported as follows: At night 7 o'clock p. m., D. C. Allen to preach. Sabbath 11 o'clock a. m., M. M. Wamboldt. Sabbath 2 o'clock p. m., W. C. T. Mosely. Sabbath 7 o'clock p. m., Wm. Pritchett.

Read the decorum. On motion the committee on nominations was instructed to nominate an executive committee. On motion, adjourned until 9 o'clock a. m. Monday.

On Sabbath the ministers preached according to appointment in the order of their names, to large and orderly congregations.

MONDAY MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK, A. M., Nov. 6, 1882.

The Association met according to adjournment. Singing, and prayer by Elder D. C. Allen.

Called roll and marked absentees.

Renewed the call for correspondence. Also renewed the call for petitionary letters.

Called for report of committees, when that of the committee on missions was read and adopted. See appendix A.

Report on periodicals read and adopted. See appendix B.

On motion, business was suspended fifteen minutes for the purpose of raising funds to support a missionary, a portion of the ensuing year, when

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| Jesse M. Rowe, paid | $5 00 | J. W. Bullard, paid | $1 00 |
| W. M. Cooper, " | 5 00 | N. B. Fleming, " | 25 |
| John Clements, " | 25 | W. J. Spurlin, " | 50 |
| C. R. Talbot, " | 1 00 | P. T. Wise, " | 1 00 |
| J. W. Brooks, " | 50 | J. J. Bradly, " | 25 |
| A. J. Brooks, " | 50 | E. M. Brooks, " | 10 |
| D. W. Jernigan, " | 1 00 | Mrs. Rowe, " | 50 |
| J. D. Parkman, " | 3 00 | R. Holloway, " | 2 00 |
| J. A. Taylor, " | 50 | M. J. Kierce, " | 10 |
| Wm. Taylor, " | 50 | Mrs. Winslow, " | 50 |
| Mrs. Deal, " | 10 | Mrs. Brunson, " | 10 |
| Mrs. Talbot, " | 10 | Sent by White Water Church, | 10 |

Total amount cash,.....$23 85

*PERSONAL PLEDGES.*

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| J. A. McGee, pledges | $5 00 | D. C. Allen, pledges | $2 00 |
| J. W. Brooks, " | 2 00 | D. J. Williams, " | 2 00 |
| C. R. Talbot, " | 2 00 | R. Holloway, " | 2 00 |
| M. Brunson, " | 2 50 | W. J. Spurlin, " | 5 00 |
| W. M. Cooper, " | 5 00 | | |

Total amount to be paid next session,.....$27 50

Adjourned one hour for refreshments.

Then re-assembled. Singing, and prayer by Elder W. C. T. Mosely.

Report on documents read and adopted. See appendix C.

When it was found that two churches had petitioned for the next session of the Association, Bethlehem, in

Coffee county, and New Providence, it was agreed to leave it to a vote of the body to which Church the petition be granted, when the request of New Providence was granted.

Report on nominations read and adopted. See appendix D.

Report of the special and executive committee read and adopted. See appendix E.

Report on finance read and adopted. See appendix F.

When a balance of $11 was found to be in the hands of the former treasurer A. Windham, and a committee consisting of J. W. Brooks, W. M. Cooper and J. W. Bullard was appointed to collect the amount and turn it over to the present treasurer.

Report of treasurer read and approved. See appendix G.

*MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.*

It was resolved hereafter to meet on Thursday before the first Sabbath in November.

*Resolved*, That we are due the members of Woodland Grove Church, together with the kind citizens of the surrounding vicinity, our thanks, which are hereby tendered them for their kindness extended us, during our very pleasant stay among them.

*Resolved*, That it be left discretionary with the clerk where the minutes should be printed, and that he be instructed to draw on the treasurer for the money to print minutes with, and likewise his salary. Minutes read adopted.

On motion, the Association adjourned to meet with New Providence Church, one mile east of Elba, on Thursday before the first Sabbath in November 1883.

A. J. WISE, Jr., Clerk. JESSE M. ROWE, Moderator.

*APPENDIX A.*

We, your committee on missions offer the following as our report:

The cause of missions is the cause of christianity? if we are christians we are missionaries. Then it is our duty to support the cause. But how shall we do

The treasurer offers the following report:

Received of the finance committee,.....$48 40

Respectfully submitted, C. R. TALBOT,
Treasurer.

## RULES OF DECORUM.

RULE 1. The Moderator shall fill the chair and preserve order in the Association, which shall be opened and closed with prayer.

RULE 2. The privileges and authority of the Moderator shall be respected by all the members; he shall decide all questions of order and propriety.

RULE 3. The Moderator shall vote in no case, unless there is a tie in the Association, then he shall give the casting vote. He shall have the same privilege of speaking as other members, provided, he shall appoint some member to fill the chair.

RULE 4. But one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise from his seat and address the Moderator, and keep to the subject; and he shall not speak more than twice on the same subject without leave from the chair.

RULE 5. No member shall leave the body while on business, except by permission from the chair.

RULE 6. When a question is taken up, after allowing time for deliberation, the Moderator shall take the voice of the body by calling for the yeas and nays.

RULE 7. All motions in order must be disposed of by the body, unless withdrawn by him that made it.

RULE 8. A list of the names of the delegates shall be called and absentees marked.

RULE 9. The Clerk shall enroll the names of the delegates, and keep a regular record of all the business of the Association.

RULE 10. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected before the body rise.

RULE 11. This Decorum may be altered, or amended, by two-thirds of this body.

## TABULAR STATEMENT OF THE CHURCHES.

| CHURCHES. | Rec. by Exp | Rec. by Let'r. | Restored.... | Dis. by Let'r. | Excluded.... | Dead..... | Total..... | Contrib'us.... | Ordained Ministers. | Licentiates... | ABSENT DELEGATES. |
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| Bethlehem, (Dale.) | 4 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 38 | $1 00 | 1 | 1 | Jasper Ellis and J. M. Bullard. |
| Woodland Grove,... | 21 | 2 | 0 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 1 50 | 1 | 0 | ..... |
| White Water,..... | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 18 | 1 10 | 0 | 0 | George Calhoun and Henry Morris. |
| Mount Lebanon, .. | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 9 | 1 00 | 0 | 0 | Amos Thames. |
| Shiloh,..... | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 26 | 2 00 | 1 | 0 | ..... |
| New Ebenezer,..... | 8 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 30 | 2 50 | 1 | 0 | ..... |
| Bethlehem, (Coffee,) | 12 | 10 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 75 | 2 50 | 0 | 0 | ..... |
| New Providence,... | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 17 | 1 45 | 0 | 0 | J. A. Moore. |
| | 27 | 20 | 3 | 9 | 5 | 1 | 237 | $13 05 | 4 | 1 | |

# CHURCH DIRECTORY.

| CHURCHES. | PASTORS. | POST OFFICE. | CLERKS. | POST OFFICE. | TIME OF MEETING. |
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| Bethlehem, (Dale,) | J. W. Bullard,.. | Daleville, . | J. M P Tally,. | Daleville,.... | 3d Sabbath. |
| Woodland Grove,.. | J. M. Rowe,.... | Elba,..... | M. Brunson,... | Victoria,..... | 2d. Sabbath. |
| White Water,..... | M. Brooks,..... | Victoria,... | D. J. Williams,. | Elba,..... | 1st Sabbath. |
| Mount Lebanon,... | J: W. Bullard,.. | Daleville, . | J. A. McGee,.. | Clintonville, . | ..... |
| New Ebenezer,.... | W. C. T. Mosely, | Greenville, | J. A. Taylor,... | Elba,..... | 4th Sabbath. |
| Bethlehem, (Coffee,) | D. C. Allen,.... | Brundidge, | J. T. Peacock,. | Victoria,..... | 1st Sabbath. |
| New Providence,.. | M. Brooks,..... | Victoria,.. | P. T. Wise,..... | Elba,..... | 3d. Sabbath. |
| Shiloh,..... | M. Brooks,..... | Victoria,.. | A. J. Wise, Jr.. | Victoria,..... | 2d. Sabbath. |